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3.125 (a) REPEAT NCI
FACILITIES, GENERAL.

(a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

Two three month old tiger cubs are temporarily being housed in a metal outdoor enclosure. The flooring of this enclosure is rusted and has holes worn through it along the edges. This rusted enclosure has lost its structural strength and should not be used to house animals as it may cause injury or fail to contain the animals. These cubs should be moved to an appropriate enclosure and not housed in this one even on a temporary basis.

3.127 (a) REPEAT NCI
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FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

(a) Shelter from sunlight. When sunlight is likely to cause overheating or discomfort of the animals, sufficient shade by natural or artificial means shall be provided to allow all animals kept outdoors to protect themselves from direct sunlight.

There are a few pens in the facility that no longer have shade coverings. Areas of shade should be provided for all the animals.

(b) Shelter from inclement weather. Natural or artificial shelter appropriate to the local climatic conditions for the species concerned shall be provided for all animals kept outdoors to afford them protection and to prevent discomfort to such animals. Individual animals shall be acclimated before they are exposed to the extremes of the individual climate.

There is a pen with 3 tigers that only provides adequate shelter for 2 animals. There is also an enclosure with 5 wolves that had one shelter that was not large enough for all the animals. Additional shelters must be provided for all the animals to have access to them and have room to lie down comfortably, stand, and turn about freely.

(d) Perimeter fence. On or after May 17, 2000, all outdoor housing facilities (i.e., facilities not entirely indoors) must be

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enclosed by a perimeter fence that is of sufficient height to keep animals and unauthorized persons out. Fences less than 8 feet high for potentially dangerous animals, such as, but not limited to, large felines (e.g., lions, tigers, leopards, cougars, etc.), bears, wolves, rhinoceros, and elephants, or less than 6 feet high for other animals must be approved in writing by the Administrator. The fence must be constructed so that it protects the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going through it or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility, and so that it can function as a secondary containment system for the animals in the facility. It must be of sufficient distance from the outside of the primary enclosure to prevent physical contact between animals inside the enclosure and animals or persons outside the perimeter fence. Such fences less than 3 feet in distance from the primary enclosure must be approved in writing by the Administrator.

Additional supports have been added to the perimeter fence, but there are still areas where there are gaps between the upper and lower wire panels and sections where the fence is not sturdy. Continued efforts must be made to create a sufficient perimeter fence that is structurally sound.

**3.129 (a) REPEAT NCI
FEEDING.**

(a) The food shall be wholesome, palatable, and free from contamination and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain all animals in good health. The diet shall be prepared with consideration for the age, species, condition, size, and type of the animal. Animals shall be fed at least once a day except as dictated by hibernation, veterinary treatment, normal fasts, or other professionally accepted practices.

The cooler is functional now but is running around 30 degrees F. This should be regulated above freezing temperatures in order to aid in thawing of frozen meat. Inside the cooler, the meat was uncovered and lying on the floor of the cooler. There was blood and drippings on the floor of the cooler as well. This is not a sanitary method to store and thaw meat. The meat should be stored in containers or bags, and the cooler must be kept clean to ensure the meat is wholesome and free from contamination.

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